

**Tennessee Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges
Year-End Summary Report
Based On Number of Reported Cases
January - December 2000**

Juvenile Court **TENNESSEE**
Court Number **TOTAL**

January - December 2000 118,907 Cases Were Disposed Of Or Adjusted
Affecting 80,837 Children

General Characteristics Of These Cases Follow:

Referral Reasons Before Amended Charges *Each Case May Include Up To 5 Referral Reasons
Therefore The Number Of Total Referral Reasons, Referral Sources, Intake Actions, Formal/Informal Actions,
And Person Executing The Action May Be Greater Than The Total Number of Cases*

24	OR	0.02% Criminal Homicide
42	OR	0.03% 1st Degree Murder
7	OR	0.00% 2nd Degree Murder
32	OR	0.02% Aggravated Rape
261	OR	0.18% Rape of a Child
23	OR	0.02% Aggravated Vehicular Homicide
40	OR	0.03% Esp. Aggravated Robbery
17	OR	0.01% Esp. Aggravated Kidnapping
364	OR	0.25% Aggravated Robbery
19	OR	0.01% Aggravated Kidnapping
8	OR	0.01% Aggravated Child Abuse/Neglect
97	OR	0.07% Aggravated Sexual Battery
65	OR	0.04% Rape
1	OR	0.00% Voluntary Manslaughter
7	OR	0.00% Vehicular Homicide
7	OR	0.00% Sexual Abuse of a Child
322	OR	0.22% Other Sexual Offenses
1,430	OR	0.99% Aggravated Assault
138	OR	0.10% Robbery
0	OR	0.00% Criminally Negligent Homicide
50	OR	0.03% Attempt to Commit a Crime Against Person
5,819	OR	4.03% Assault
565	OR	0.39% Reckless Endangerment
25	OR	0.02% Aggravated Arson
128	OR	0.09% Arson
1,132	OR	0.78% Aggravated Burglary
9,330	OR	6.45% Theft of Property
3,251	OR	2.25% Vandalism
273	OR	0.19% Forgery
95	OR	0.07% Worthless Checks
101	OR	0.07% Illegal Possession/Fraudulent Use of Credit/Debit Cards
1,662	OR	1.15% Burglary
452	OR	0.31% Unauthorized use of a Vehicle
40	OR	0.03% Cruelty to Animals

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611	OR	0.42% Sale of Controlled Substances
1,877	OR	1.30% Other Drug Offenses
4,077	OR	2.82% Possession of Controlled Substances
351	OR	0.24% Criminal Attempt
441	OR	0.31% Carrying Weapons on School Property
942	OR	0.65% Unlawful Carrying/Possession of a Weapon
1,316	OR	0.91% Evading Arrest
371	OR	0.26% Escape
388	OR	0.27% Driving Under Influence (DUI)
3,952	OR	2.73% Possession/Consumption of Alcohol
751	OR	0.52% Resisting Stop, Frisk, Halt, Arrest or Search
102	OR	0.07% Aggravated Criminal Trespass
357	OR	0.25% Harassment
151	OR	0.10% Failure to Appear
175	OR	0.12% Filing a False Police Report
425	OR	0.29% Criminal Impersonation
5,885	OR	4.07% Disorderly Conduct
1,940	OR	1.34% Criminal Trespass
758	OR	0.52% Public Intoxication
95	OR	0.07% Gambling
15,927	OR	11.02% Traffic
1,018	OR	0.70% Local Ordinances
172	OR	0.12% Violation of Wildlife Regulations
1,582	OR	1.09% Contempt of Court
5,057	OR	3.50% Violation of Probation
454	OR	0.31% Violation of Aftercare
5,041	OR	3.49% Unruly Behavior
8,172	OR	5.65% Truancy
4,989	OR	3.45% In-State Runaway
211	OR	0.15% Out-of-State Runaway
4,572	OR	3.16% Possession of Tobacco Products
1,574	OR	1.09% Violation of a Valid Court Order
3,720	OR	2.57% Violation of Curfew
81	OR	0.06% Sexually Abused Child
102	OR	0.07% Physically Abused Child
6,787	OR	4.70% Dependency/Neglect
652	OR	0.45% Termination of Parental Rights
32	OR	0.02% Violation of Pretrial Diversion
24	OR	0.02% Violation of Informal Adjustment
5,854	OR	4.05% Judicial Review
1,966	OR	1.36% Administrative Review
2,502	OR	1.73% Foster Care Review
7,012	OR	4.85% Custody
1,295	OR	0.90% Visitation
2,098	OR	1.45% Paternity/Legitimation
3,029	OR	2.10% Child Support
33	OR	0.02% Request for Medical Treatment
48	OR	0.03% Consent to Marry
9,750	OR	6.75% Other

144,546 OR 100.00% Total

Of the 118,907 Cases, There Were

143,664 Referral Sources

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Referral Source

72,544	OR	50.5% Were Referred By Law Enforcement
15,327	OR	10.7% Were Referred By Parents
8,972	OR	6.2% Were Referred By Relatives
363	OR	0.3% Were Referred By Self
12,552	OR	8.7% Were Referred By School
85	OR	0.1% Were Referred By CSA
8,401	OR	5.8% Were Referred By DCS
1,179	OR	0.8% Were Referred By Other State Departments
948	OR	0.7% Were Referred By District Attorney's Office
12,268	OR	8.5% Were Referred By Court Staff
1,238	OR	0.9% Were Referred By Social Agency
512	OR	0.4% Were Referred By Other Court
5,063	OR	3.5% Were Referred By Victim
317	OR	0.2% Were Referred By Child & Parent
35	OR	0.0% Were Referred By Hospital
98	OR	0.1% Were Unknown
3,762	OR	2.6% Other
143,664	OR	100.0% Total

Of the 118,907 Cases, There Were 142,041 Intake Actions
Intake Actions

76,866	OR	54.1% Petition Filed
8,993	OR	6.3% Motion Filed
17,158	OR	12.1% Citation Processed
120	OR	0.1% Notification of Acknowledgement of Paternity Processed
9,854	OR	6.9% Scheduling of Judicial Review
563	OR	0.4% Scheduling of Administrative Review
546	OR	0.4% Scheduling of Foster Care Review
14	OR	0.0% Unknown
7,865	OR	5.5% Does Not Apply
20,062	OR	14.1% Other
142,041	OR	100.0% Total

Of The 118,907 Cases:

Type Of Detention

2,024	OR	1.7% Non-Secure Placement
15,612	OR	13.4% Juvenile Detention Facility
108	OR	0.1% Jail - Complete Separation
20	OR	0.0% Jail - Partial Separation
11	OR	0.0% Jail - No Separation
129	OR	0.1% Psychiatric Hospital
6,501	OR	5.6% Unknown
90,742	OR	77.7% Does Not Apply
1,633	OR	1.4% Other
116,780	OR	100.0% Total

Placement After Secure Detention Hearing

5,769	OR	4.9% Returned To Prior Living Arrangement
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13,060	OR	11.1% Juvenile Detention Facility
24	OR	0.0% Jail
131	OR	0.1% Shelter Facility/Group Home
92	OR	0.1% Foster Family
68	OR	0.1% Psychiatric Hospital
2,151	OR	1.8% Unknown
95,889	OR	81.2% Does Not Apply
927	OR	0.8% Other
118,111	OR	100.0% Total

During January - December 2000, Dispositions or Adjudications Affecting

80,837 Children

Age of Child At Referral

16,570	OR	20.6% Birth Through Age 10
4,964	OR	6.2% Ages 11 Through 12
12,050	OR	15.0% Ages 13 Through 14
26,063	OR	32.4% Ages 15 Through 16
20,073	OR	25.0% Age 17 Through 18
238	OR	0.3% Age 19 And Over
377	OR	0.5% Unknown/Not Reported
80,335	OR	100.0% Total

Sex of Child

48,684	OR	60.6% Male
30,504	OR	38.0% Female
1,147	OR	1.4% Unknown
80,335	OR	100.0% Total

Race of Child

50,268	OR	62.6% White
25,813	OR	32.1% African American
78	OR	0.1% Native American
343	OR	0.4% Asian
1,021	OR	1.3% Mixed Race
2,812	OR	3.5% Unknown
80,335	OR	100.0% Total

Of the 80,837 Children Referred

Hispanic Origin

1,242	OR	1.5% Were Of Hispanic Origin
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Living Arrangement of Child At Time of Referral

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14,750	OR	18.4% Living With Both Biological Parents
1,136	OR	1.4% Living With Father And Stepmother
3,615	OR	4.5% Living With Mother And Stepfather

34,034	OR	42.4% Living With Mother
5,654	OR	7.0% Living With Father
8,530	OR	10.6% Living With Relatives
335	OR	0.4% Living With Adoptive Parents
1,891	OR	2.4% Living With Foster Family
858	OR	1.1% Living In A Group Home
459	OR	0.6% Living In A Residential Center
443	OR	0.6% Living In An Institution
497	OR	0.6% Living Independently
6,667	OR	8.3% Unknown
1,466	OR	1.8% Other
80,335	OR	100.0% Total

School Enrollment of Child

58,169	OR	72.4% Were Enrolled In School
11,167	OR	13.9% Were Not Enrolled In School
10,999	OR	13.7% Unknown
80,335	OR	100.0% Total

Last Grade Completed By Child

2,130	OR	2.7% Too Young For School
1,854	OR	2.3% Pre-School
520	OR	0.6% Finished Kindergarten
1,054	OR	1.3% Finished Grade 1
1,035	OR	1.3% Finished Grade 2
1,127	OR	1.4% Finished Grade 3
1,278	OR	1.6% Finished Grade 4
1,879	OR	2.3% Finished Grade 5
3,655	OR	4.5% Finished Grade 6
5,045	OR	6.3% Finished Grade 7
9,001	OR	11.2% Finished Grade 8
9,503	OR	11.8% Finished Grade 9
8,793	OR	10.9% Finished Grade 10
6,158	OR	7.7% Finished Grade 11
1,144	OR	1.4% Finished Grade 12
138	OR	0.2% Non-graded Special Education
529	OR	0.7% GED
202	OR	0.3% Graduated
702	OR	0.9% Never Been In School
24,588	OR	30.6% Unknown
80,335	OR	100.0% Total

Enrolled In Special Education

4,129	OR	5.1% Were Enrolled In Special Education
48,470	OR	60.3% Not Enrolled In Special Education
27,736	OR	34.5% Unknown
80,335	OR	100.0% Total

The Following Are The 221,684 Specific **Case Outcomes**

Each Case May Have Resulted In More Than One Outcome;

Therefore The Number Of Total Outcomes May Be Greater Than The Total Number Of Cases

18,945	OR	8.55% Case Dismissed
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2,886	OR	1.30% Case Retired or <i>Nolle Prosequi</i>
14,013	OR	6.32% Warned/Counseled
9,172	OR	4.14% Held Open For Review
11,824	OR	5.33% Supervision/Probation To Juvenile Court
1,273	OR	0.57% Probation To Parents
3,426	OR	1.55% Referral To Another Entity For Supervision/Service
2,535	OR	1.14% Referred For Mental Health Counseling
3,129	OR	1.41% Referred For Alcohol and Drug Counseling
318	OR	0.14% Referred To Alternative School
131	OR	0.06% Referred To Private Child Agency
4,161	OR	1.88% Referred To Defensive Driving School
792	OR	0.36% Referred To Alcohol Safety School
1,645	OR	0.74% Referred To Juvenile Court Education-Based Program
2,591	OR	1.17% Driver's License Held Informally
12	OR	0.01% Voluntary Placement With DMHMR
36	OR	0.02% Private Mental Health Placement
4	OR	0.00% Private Mental Retardation Placement
3,291	OR	1.48% Placement with City/County/Agency/Facility
5,090	OR	2.30% Placement with Relative/Other Individual
11,548	OR	5.21% Fine
14,354	OR	6.47% Public Service
3,747	OR	1.69% Restitution
1,216	OR	0.55% Runaway Returned
3,498	OR	1.58% No Contact Order
585	OR	0.26% Injunction Other Than No Contact Order
1,498	OR	0.68% House Arrest
1,024	OR	0.46% Court Defined Curfew
1,246	OR	0.56% Dismissed From Informal Adjustment
345	OR	0.16% Dismissed From Pretrial Diversion
1,195	OR	0.54% Released From Probation
459	OR	0.21% Transferred To Adult Court
43	OR	0.02% DMHMR Involuntary Commitment
259	OR	0.12% DCS Commitment - Determinate
5,672	OR	2.56% DCS Commitment/Custody
1,852	OR	0.84% DCS Commitment - Suspended
361	OR	0.16% DCS Intensive Probation
1,036	OR	0.47% Other Intensive Probation
2,534	OR	1.14% DCS Probation
5,444	OR	2.46% Placed Under a Valid Court Order
491	OR	0.22% Supervision By DCS
1,320	OR	0.60% Transferred To Another Juvenile Court For Disposition
549	OR	0.25% Parental Rights Terminated
7	OR	0.00% Parental Rights Not Terminated

389	OR	0.18% Order of Reference To DCS
23,909	OR	10.79% Court Costs
281	OR	0.13% Foster Care Terminated
1,521	OR	0.69% Foster Care Continued
7,158	OR	3.23% Custody Changed
2,394	OR	1.08% Custody Unchanged

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2,231	OR	1.01% Visitation Changed
394	OR	0.18% Visitation Unchanged
49	OR	0.02% Voluntary Acknowledgment of Paternity
982	OR	0.44% Paternity Determined/Child Legitimated
144	OR	0.06% Paternity Not Determined/Child Not Legitimated
2,729	OR	1.23% Child Support Granted
1,008	OR	0.45% Child Support Amended
60	OR	0.03% Child Support Denied
63	OR	0.03% Child Support Terminated
122	OR	0.06% Request For Medical Treatment Granted
0	OR	0.00% Request For Medical Treatment Denied
44	OR	0.02% Consent To Marry Granted
6	OR	0.00% Consent To Marry Denied
32,643	OR	14.73% Other
221,684	OR	100.00% Total

Disposed By

Of the 144,546 Referral Reasons Disposed, There Were

71,247	OR	50.3% Disposed By The Judge
45,057	OR	31.8% Disposed By The Referee
21,829	OR	15.4% Disposed By The YSO
3,459	OR	2.4% Other
141,592	OR	100.0% Total

Of The 118,907 Cases Disposed,

The **Action Used To Dispose/Adjust** Each Of The

143,664 Referral Reasons Was:

21,067	OR	14.5% Dismissed
5,168	OR	3.5% Retired or <i>Nolle Prosequi</i>
42,889	OR	29.5% Complaint Substantiated Delinquent
14,073	OR	9.7% Complaint Substantiated Status Offender
5,501	OR	3.8% Complaint Substantiated Dependent/Neglected
65	OR	0.0% Complaint Substantiated Abused
4	OR	0.0% Complaint Substantiated Mentally Ill
11,004	OR	7.6% Informal Adjustment
7,778	OR	5.3% Pretrial Diversion
379	OR	0.3% Transfer To Adult Court Hearing
49	OR	0.0% Charges Cleared By Transfer To Adult Court
14,776	OR	10.1% Special Proceeding
4,776	OR	3.3% Review Concluded
5,936	OR	4.1% Case Held Open
12,131	OR	8.3% Other
145,596	OR	100.0% Total